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### City Accepting Applications for Open Water Marina Community

**Bainbridge Island, Wash.,** (November, 2016) – The City of Bainbridge Island is currently accepting applications for one-year subleases for the Open Water Marina Community to begin on January 1, 2017 and expire on December 31, 2017.

The City of Bainbridge Island operates a residential marina within Eagle Harbor, under the terms of a lease with the Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR). The DNR lease allows the City to enter into subleases with a limited number of individual tenants in the Open Water Marina (OWM), for the purpose of supporting a vibrant liveaboard community. A limited number of spaces are currently available for both the linear moorage system and fore-and-aft moorage. To apply for an OWM sublease with the City, potential tenants must submit the application form available on the City website at: <http://www.bainbridgewa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/4132>.

The application must be completed in its entirety, and received by the City no later than 4:00pm, November 14th, 2016. Applications can be submitted to Harbormaster Tami Allen, hand-delivered or mailed to City Hall (280 N. Madison Ave., Bainbridge Island, WA 98110), or sent via email to: [tallen@bainbridgewa.gov](mailto:tallen@bainbridgewa.gov).

Please also be aware of the following:

- As part of the application process, your signature and date of birth allows the City to conduct a background check. A background check is required for all potential OWM tenants.
- Permitted watercraft includes vessels designed for navigation on open waters, which meet USCG requirements and are capable of being used as a means of transportation. Houseboats are not allowed.
- Subleases will begin on January 1, 2017 and rent charges will be due from that date forward. The first month's rent will be due in advance at the time the sublease is signed. Future payments will be due monthly.
- In the event that there are more eligible applicants for a type of moorage than the OWM can accommodate, the City will use a random selection process to identify applicants to receive subleases.

Other eligible applicants will remain on a waiting list in the event that additional subleases become available.

- All applicants accepted into the marina must be willing to agree to comply with all requirements of the tenant sublease, including sewage and garbage management requirements. A copy of the current policies and requirements is available at the Harbormaster's office at Bainbridge Island Police Department, at the City Hall Front Desk, and via the City Website.

For more information on the Open Water Marina contact Tami Allen, Harbormaster at 206.780.3733 or [tallen@bainbridgewa.gov](mailto:tallen@bainbridgewa.gov).

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